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Applicant: Fumihiko HAGA et al.
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified application be amended as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend the following claims:

Claim 4, line 1, delete "any one of claims 1 - 3" and insert
--claim 1--.

Claim 5 line 1, delete "any one of claims 1 - 3" and insert
--claim 1--.

Claim 9 line 1, delete "any one of claims 6 - 8" and insert
--claim 6--.

Claim 10 line 1, delete "any one of claims 6 - 8" and insert
--claim 6--.

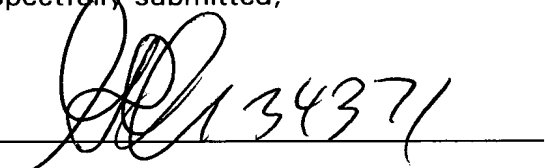
REMARKS

Entry of the foregoing amendments prior to examination is respectfully requested.

Applicants respectfully request that the foregoing amendments to Claims 4, 5, 9 and 10 be entered in order to avoid this application incurring a surcharge for the presence of one or more multiple dependent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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